

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No. 286

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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Rules of procedure at the joint hearing of the matter of Harry  
J. Chapman.

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*First.* For the purpose of granting a joint hearing agreeably to a vote of the two branches of the legislature; they will meet in convention in the hall of the House of Representatives on Wednesday, March twentieth, at.....two.....o'clock in the afternoon.

*Second.* The President of the Senate shall preside in the convention, and in the absence of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House shall preside.

*Third.* The petitioners may be heard by counsel and witnesses, and the respondent by himself and by counsel and witnesses.

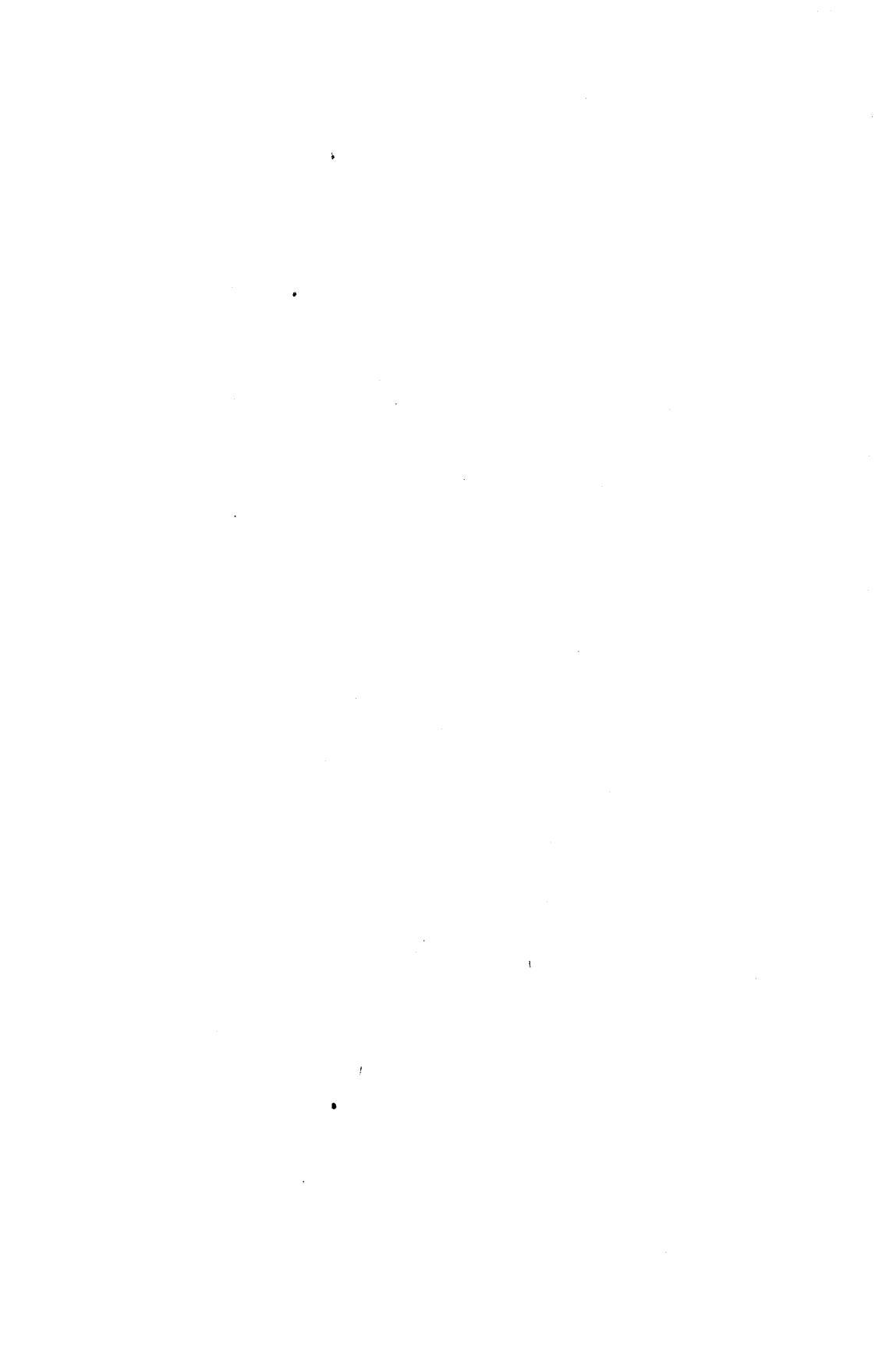
*Fourth.* The same rules of evidence shall govern as in the trial of civil actions in the Supreme Judicial Court. All depositions shall be taken forthwith, but no deposition shall be admitted unless it is shown that the deponent is unable to be

present. The presiding officer shall decide all questions of the admissibility of evidence, procedure, practice pleading, and from his decision there shall be no appeal.

*Fifth.* No debate whatever shall be admitted in the convention.

*Sixth.* No motion shall be submitted or entertained except to take a recess to a time certain, or to absolve the convention, and such motion shall be decided without debate.

*Seventh.* No person shall be admitted to the floor of the House except members of the convention, counsel, witnesses, reporters for the press and the officers of both branches, except by order of the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House.



STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, March 16, 1907.

Reported from committee to make rules of procedure in matter of Harry J. Chapman and tabled and ordered printed on motion of Mr PARKHURST of Penobscot.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.